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EPA SEEKING APPLICATIONS FOR 2010 STAA AWARDS**MEMORANDUM**

SUBJECT: The 2010 Scientific and Technological Achievement Awards (STAA) Program

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TO: All EPA Employees

I am pleased to issue this year's call for nominations for the EPA's prestigious 2010 Scientific and Technological Achievement Awards (STAA). Each year, EPA recognizes outstanding papers written by the Agency's staff and published in scientific and technical journals. STAA is open to all EPA employees, judged by the EPA's Science Advisory Board (SAB), and managed by the Office of Research and Development.

I am also pleased to announce that, in an effort to encourage greater participation from across the Agency, the 2010 STAA program will expand the types of eligible publications on a pilot basis. Research and Project Reports from across EPA will be eligible for STAA submission in 2010. Other aspects of the STAA program, such as the evaluation criteria, will not significantly change.

Nominations can be submitted in the following categories:

- Control Systems and Technology
- Ecological Research
- Health Effects Research and Human Health Risk Assessment
- Monitoring and Measurement Methods
- Transport and Fate
- Review Articles
- Risk Management and Ecosystem Restoration
- Integrated Risk Assessment
- Environmental Policy and Decision-Making Studies
- Homeland Security
- Industry and the Environment
- Energy and the Environment

- Other Environmental Research
- U.S. EPA Project and Research Reports

STAA winners are eligible for monetary awards. In addition, winners are recognized each summer at the ORD Awards Ceremony.

This year's nominations will be accepted via electronic submission to Nominations.STAA@epa.gov. You can find the nomination forms and guidelines at www.epa.gov/ncer/staa/forms.html. Nominations will be accepted until midnight ET on Thursday, January 14, 2010. Additional information about the STAA program can be found at www.epa.gov/ncer/staa. Should questions arise, please contact Thomas O'Farrell at (202) 343-9639 or O'Farrell.Thomas@EPA.gov.